

2005 Notre Dame
Women's Soccer
(5-1-0)

August

Vermont Classic

26 vs. New Hampshire W, 11-1
28 at Vermont W, 6-0

September

Notre Dame Classic

2 UConn 2, Maryland 1
ND 4, Florida 1
(both Sept. 2 games on CSTV)
4 Florida 5, UConn 0
ND 6, Maryland 0

Santa Clara Classic

9 at Santa Clara L, 1-2
(Comcast SportsNet West)
11 vs. Gonzaga W, 4-1

16 DePaul* 7:30
18 Michigan (Comcast) 1:00
23 Cincinnati* 5:00
25 at Louisville* 1:00
30 at Marquette* 7:00

October

2 at South Florida* 1:00
7 at Rutgers* 7:00
9 at Seton Hall* 1:00
14 Connecticut* 7:30
16 Providence* 1:00
21 Villanova* 7:30
23 Georgetown* 1:00

26- BIG EAST First Round
27 (Divisional #4 vs. #5)

29- BIG EAST Quarterfinals
30 (campus sites)

November

BIG EAST Championship

(at Marquette)

4 Semifinals
6 Final

11, NCAA 1st/2nd Rounds
13 (campus sites)

18- NCAA Third Round
20 (campus sites)

25- NCAA 1st/2nd Rounds
27 (campus sites)

December

NCAA College Cup
(College Station, TX)

2 Semifinal
3 Final

* – BIG EAST Conf. Game
All times local to site
Rankings indicate highest poll

NOTRE DAME WOMEN'S SOCCER
vs. DePaul (Sept. 16, 2005; Alumni Field)

The 5th-ranked 2005 Notre Dame women's soccer team (5-1-0) returns home this weekend for games vs. DePaul (Sept. 16; 7:30 EST) and Michigan (Sept. 18; 1:00) ... the Irish dropped a 2-1 game last week at No. 6 Santa Clara (1-2) before rebounding with a 4-1 win over Gonzaga ... Notre Dame leads the nation in scoring with 32 goals and 5.33 goals per game, after a big opening week at the Vermont Classic (11-1 vs. UNH, 6-0 vs. UVM) and week-2 wins at the ND Classic over a pair of teams ranked in the national polls (4-1 vs. #11 Florida, 6-0 vs. #25 Maryland) ... the DePaul game will be the 400th in the 17-year history of ND women's soccer (the Irish program has won 83.3% of its all-time games, at 324-58-17) ... these gamenotes will be updated prior to the Michigan game, which will be telecast later next week (Sept. 22) by Comcast Detroit and Comcast Local (channel 3, in South Bend).

INFORMATION HIGHWAY – GameTracker livestats can be accessed at www.und.com while **internet audio** for the ND-DePaul game is available to CSTV All-Access subscribers (see multimedia link on und.com) ... All-Access subscribers can view video/audio of the ND weekly all-sports show while listening to game audio of several sports from ND and other schools ... recaps are available on the ND Sports **Hotline** (574-631-3000, press "4," then "2").

NCAA STAT LEADERS – Notre Dame leads the nation in scoring (5.33 goals/gm; 32 overall) ... freshman F **Kerri Hanks** currently shares the national lead in goals (11G-1A) and is 2nd in points (23) while senior F **Katie Thorlakson** again is the nation's assists leader (6G-8A), also ranking 6th in points (20) ... Hanks and Thorlakson enter the week as the only teammates among 300-plus Division I women's soccer teams with 20-plus points ... Thorlakson (2G-4A, vs. New Hampshire) and Hanks (4G, vs. UNH) join Portland's Christine Sinclair as the only players to post 8-plus points in a game this season.... Sinclair and Hanks are the only players to score more than three goals in a game while Thorlakson is the only player with more than three assists in a game during 2005 ... sophomore forward **Amanda Cinalli** already has matched her 2004 assist total (5), ranking 9th among the current NCAA assist leaders.

ND QUICK NOTES – The loss at Santa Clara was just the second regular-season defeat suffered by the Irish in the past three seasons (42-2-2) ... Katie Thorlakson already owns four corner-kick assists in 2005 (she had eight CK assists in '04) ... ND's forward trio of Thorlakson (6G-8A), Kerri Hanks (11G-1A) and Amanda Cinalli (3G-5A) have combined for 20 goals and 14 assists (54 points) in six games this season, helping the Irish rack up a 32-5 scoring edge ... junior M Jen Buczkowski halted a 12-game goal drought in last week's win over Gonzaga (she has scored 5 of ND's past 15 gamewinning goals) ... ND's current players have combined for 876 career games played (533 starts) ... since handing Seton Hall an early lead in the final regular-season game of '04, the Irish are riding a **61-8 scoring** edge over the **past 16-plus** games ... ND is 52-13-3 (.775) in the Randy Waldrum era when facing an NSCAA top-25/postseason opponent ... the Irish have held **27 of their past 29 opponents to 0-1 goals** ... ND's '04 national-title team (25-1-1) finished 4th in the nation with a 0.51 GAA and 19th in scoring (2.59 goals/gm), joining UNC, Virginia, Princeton and UCF as teams in the top-20 for both ... the '04 team allowed just 73 shots on goal, nearly matching ND's goal total (70), and yielded just 48 corner kicks all season (27 GP) ... ND has been 1st or 2nd in the NSCAA poll 9 of 12 seasons since '94 (all but '99, '01, '02; #1 in '94, '95, '96, '00, '04, '05) ... **Waldrum is 124-21-5/.843** at ND ('99-'05).

FIRST-TIME OPPONENTS – Notre Dame and DePaul amazingly will be meeting for the first time in women's soccer action ... ND's all-time record in series openers is 71-25-2 (.735), including 39-5-0 since '93 and 48-8-0 in all series openers at home (22-3-0 since '93) ... the Irish opened the '05 season by beating first-time opponents New Hampshire (11-1) and Vermont (7-0), followed by a 4-1 win over first-time foe Florida and last week's 4-1 win in the series opener vs. Gonzaga ... ND also will face South Florida for the first time during the '05 season. ... **FIRST-TIME VISITORS** – Since the start of the '93 season, teams making their first visit to Alumni Field have gone just 3-38-1 vs. the Irish in those games ... Florida (4-0 loss to the Irish) and DePaul are set to make their first Alumni Field visits in '05.

OPPONENT INFO. – Consult www.depaulbluedemons.com for complete information on DePaul women's soccer (1-3-1).

VETERAN CORE – Notre Dame's 2005 roster includes 27 players who have combined to play 807 career games with the Irish, making 474 starts ... the nine returning starters from the '04 NCAA title team have combined for 546 career games played (with 442 starts): senior F Katie Thorlakson (76/69), senior G Erika Bohn (74/70), 5th-year D Candace Chapman (73/61), junior M Jen Buczkowski (57/54), senior M Annie Scheffter (57/45), junior D Kim Lorenzen (54/45), junior D Christie Shaner (56/50), junior defensive M Jill Krivacek (55/32) and sophomore F Amanda Cinalli (33/28).

ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

BY THE NUMBERS

967:02 – Erika Bohn's '03 shutout streak (5th NCAA his.)
876 – Career games played by '05 ND players (533 GS)
.744 (30-10-1) – Notre Dame's all-time NCAA Tournament winning pct. (2nd in women's soccer history)
304-9-12 (.954) – Notre Dame's all-time record when holding opponent to 0-1 goals (108-3-5 since 9/9/99)
218-3-1 (.984) – Notre Dame's all-time record when scoring 3-plus goals (119-1-0 since Oct. 6, 1995)
211 – Win streak when taking 2-0 lead (233-0-1 all-time)
125-21-5 (.843) – Randy Waldrum's record at Notre Dame
58-0-1 – Home unbeaten streak vs. BIG EAST tms ('95-)
39 (ended vs. UConn in '04 BET title game; now 49-1-0 last 50) – consecutive wins when scoring first
42-2-2 – ND's record in its past 46 reg.-season games
31 – All-Americans (since 1994)
35-12-3 – ND record vs. NSCAA top-25 teams, since '99
27 – Thorlakson's '04 postseason pts (ND record; 9G-9A)
24 – ND-record streak without allowing 2+ gls ('00 and '03)
23 – Players who posted GPA of 3.0-plus in 2005 spring semester (11 with 3.4-plus)
21-2-0 – All-time record in BIG EAST Tournament
21-3-2 – All-time record in home tournaments
19 – Players who started in '04 (17 w/ 5+ GS)
18 – Notre Dame's current unbeaten OT streak (13-0-5)
16 – Notre Dame record for consec. gms w/out deficit ('03)
16 – Shutouts posted by 2004 team (led nation)
15 – Number of home states and provinces (plus Finland) on 2005 Notre Dame roster
15 – Academic All-Americans (since 1995)
12 – Notre Dame alums in the WUSA ('01-'03)
9 – Starters returning from 2004 national champs
8 – Katie Thorlakson's points (3G-2A) vs. Santa Clara (most at ND vs. top-10 opp.)
7 – NCAA College Cup semifinal appearances
5 – National ranking for Notre Dame's 2003 freshman class
4.00 – Semester GPAs posted in '04-'05 by Ashley Jones (fall) and Jannica Tjeder (spring)
3.31 – Team's cumulative GPA (as of '05 spring semester)
3 – PK saves made by Erika Bohn in '04 NCAA title game
2 – Teams with multiple NCAA titles (UNC and ND)
2 – USYSA Golden Boots won by Kerri Hanks ('03, '05)
2 – National ranking for 2004 freshman class
1 – Preseason ranking in 2005 NSCAA coaches poll
0.41 – Erika Bohn's 2004 NCAA-best goals-against avg.

YEARS OF DOMINATION

	2003	2004	2005
Record	20-3-1	25-1-1	5-1-0
Goals Per Game	3.04	2.54	5.33
Goals-Against Avg.	0.49	0.51	0.86
Avg. Scoring Margin	+2.55	+2.03	+4.99
Shots Per Game	19.0	20.6	20.5
Shots Allowed/Gm	4.8	5.7	4.2
Shot Margin	+14.2	+14.9	+16.3
Shooting Percentage	.160	.126	.260
Shots Per Goal	6.2	8.0	3.84
Shots on Goal per Goal	3.4	3.9	2.34
Corner Kicks Per Game	4.7	5.9	6.0
CKs Allowed Per Game	3.1	1.8	1.1
Average CK Margin	+1.6	+4.1	+4.9
Save Percentage	.774	.803	.615
Shutouts	15	16	2
Games w/ 0-1 GA	22	24	5
Games w/ 2 GA	1	3	1
Games w/ 3-plus GA	1	0	0
Overtime Record	2-0-1	1-0-1	0-0-0
One-Goal Game Record	4-3	10-1	0-1-0
Wins By 3-Plus Goals	11	9	5
Home Games	13-2-0	14-0-1	2-0-0
All Road Games	7-1-1	11-1-0	3-1-0
1st-Half Scoring	40-7	32-4	16-2
2nd-Half Scoring	31-5	38-10	16-3
Fouls Per Game	14.2	12.3	11.0
Yellow Cards (Red)	12 (0)	17 (0)	4 (0)

DEPTH CHARGES – The '04 season was a unique one in many ways for Randy Waldrum's squad, as the veteran coach and his players embraced a system of deeper substitution and rotating lineups (something that likely will be a trademark of the '05 team) ... 19 players started for the Irish in '04, including 17 who logged at least five starts ... ND recently has elected to not start several top players on the second game of a weekend, instead bringing them off the bench for a "shock troops" effect made popular by legendary ND football coach Knute Rockne (he often would start his entire 2nd team, then bring in the top group later in the game).

BIG-GAME PLAYERS – ND has won 80% of its "big games" in the Randy Waldrum era ('99-'05), posting a 52-14-3 record (.775) when facing an NSCAA top-25 or postseason opponent.

FAR & WIDE – ND's 2005 roster includes players from 12 states (AZ, CA, CT, IL, IN, MD, NJ, OH, OR, PA, TX, WA), two Canadian provinces (B.C. and Ontario) and Finland ... the program's all-time roster canvasses 30 states and three foreign countries ... ND's student-athlete population in '04-'05 included nearly 800 individuals from 44 states (all but Hawaii, Maine, Mississippi, Utah, West Virginia and Wyoming) and 20 foreign countries.

1ST-STRIKE WEAPONS – Notre Dame owns a 49-1-0 record in its past 50 games when scoring first (2-1 loss to UConn in '04 BIG EAST title game) ... **Amanda Cinalli** and **Jen Buczkowski** each opened the scoring in five games of the '04 season (Katie Thorlakson had three 1st-goals in '04, senior F Candace Champan two) ... Chapman also scored to open the scoring for ND twice in '04 after the opponent scored first (Cinalli did so once) ... Kerri Hanks has three of ND's first goals in '05 (Thorlakson has two).

FRIEND OR FOE? – Notre Dame's four Chicago natives have played on various teams with players on the DePaul squad:

* ND junior M **Jen Buczkowski** is a close friend and longtime teammate of DePaul's Erin Walter (at Elk Grove HS and with various clubs, including the Eclipse Select in the summer of '04) ... she also played previously alongside nine others on the 2005 DePaul team: Lauren Spacht and Kelly Debaene (each with state ODP), Amy Witt (Eclipse and Chicago Gaels/'05 W-League), Julianne Sitch (Eclipse and Chicago Cobras/'04 W-League) and former Chicago Sockers club players Michelle Magee, Jen Heil, Ashley Andrews, Jen Lee and Amanda Marier.

* ND junior M **Jill Krivacek** played on the Sockers with Lee, Witt and Marier, also playing on the Eclipse with Stitch, Walter and Witt.

* ND junior D **Kim Lorenzen** is former teammate of nine DePaul players: Spacht and DeBaene (state ODP); Marier, Lee and Andrews from (Sockers); Stitch, Walter and Witt (Eclipse); and Jenny Dyer at Naperville North HS.

* ND freshman M/F **Brittany Bock** played with DePaul's Allissa Vonderhaar on state and regional ODP (plus Eclipse), also playing alongside Dom Lacasio, Molly Borchardt (Team Chicago) and Lauren Holcomb (Team Chicago/Windy City Pride) ... DePaul head coach John Wilson was Bock's coach with the Illinois state ODP program.

WEEK-2 QUICK NOTES – ND has scored 4-plus goals in the first four games for the first time in the program's history ... **Randy Waldrum's** first season ('99) was the previous time that an Irish team posted 4-plus goals in four straight games (at any time in a season), with the '99 team ultimately scoring 4-plus in seven straight games (7-1 vs. Miami, 9-2 at Wisconsin, 4-1 at Indiana, 5-0 vs. Miami, 5-0 vs. Seton Hall, 4-2 vs. UConn and 5-1 vs. Dayton) ... since a 3-2 loss to BYU on 10/19/02, ND has trailed in just 11 of the past 59 games for 283 of 5,390 minutes (5.3%), going 52-5-2 in that stretch ... since '94, the Irish are 29-6-3 in regular-season tournaments (20 wins vs. NSCAA ranked teams) ... ND has allowed just 27 first-half goals in the '01-'05 seasons (96 GP; 0.28/gm), including just five opponent 1st-half goals in the '04 (4) and '05 (1) seasons (31 GP) ... senior G **Erika Bohn** has made 72 career starts, going 56-11-2 in official decisions with the Irish ... junior M **Jen Buczkowski** and senior M **Annie Schefter** have played in all 55 games of the '03-'05 seasons ... three juniors – left back **Christie Shaner** (52), central D **Kim Lorenzen** (45), M/F **Lizzie Reed** (44) and defensive M **Jill Krivacek** (39) – also have noteworthy streaks of consecutive games played (each has played in 54 of 55 games in their careers) ... the Irish own a 210-game winning streak when claiming a 2-0 lead (232-0-1 all-time), are 217-3-1 when scoring 3-plus goals (119-1-0 since 10/6/95) and 303-9-12 when holding the opponent to 0-1 goals (108-3-5 since 9/9/99) ... the past 123 opponents to face a 2-0 deficit vs. the Irish have been unable to even tie the score (since '96 BIG EAST title game) ... ND is 168-14-3 all-time at Alumni Field (119-4-2 vs. teams not ranked in NSCAA poll), including 135-11-3 in the regular-season (.916).

EARLY-SEASON HONORS – Two ND women's soccer forwards were recognized by the BIG EAST Conference for their leading roles in wins over nationally-ranked teams Florida (4-1) and Maryland (6-0), as senior F **Katie Thorlakson** was named BIG EAST offensive player of the week while **Kerri Hanks** has earned her second league honor of '05, as the league's rookie of the week (after opening the season as BIG EAST offensive player of the week) ... junior M **Jen Buczkowski** – who filled several roles at ND's Inn at Saint Mary's Classic – also was named to the BIG EAST's week-2 honor roll ... three ND players have been named to the honor roll during each of the past two weeks, with Hanks previously collecting offensive player-of-the-week honors (for Aug. 22-28) while sophomore M/D Ashley Jones and freshman M/F **Brittany Bock** also were among the first-week honor roll selections ... all-tournament selections at the Vermont Classic included Thorlakson (2G-4A), Hanks (7G-1A), Jones and sophomore F **Amanda Cinalli** (1G-4A) while ND's all-tournament picks in week-2 were Thorlakson (offensive MVP; 3G-3A), Buczkowski (defensive MVP; 1A), 5th-year D **Candace Chapman** (1A), Hanks (3G) and freshman D **Carrie Dew** ... ND is the only team out of more than 300 in Division I to have produced three different players named to 2005 national teams of the week (Portland and Wake Forest are the only teams with two different national honorees) ... Hanks received the honor from *Soccer America* and *Soccer Buzz* after her big opening week (SA named her national player of the week) while Thorlakson was tabbed by SA and Buczkowski by SB for their week-2 national teams of the week.

STRONG STARTERS – Notre Dame rolled up a 27-2 early scoring edge in 2005, matching the 1996 team for the most goals by an Irish squad in the first four games of a season (now 32-5) ... the '05 team is the first in the ND program's storied history ever to score 4-plus goals in each of the first four games of the season ... the ND for consecutive games with 4-plus goals in eight, from Oct. 20-Nov. 24 of the 1996 season ... the Irish completed an impressive weekend vs. a pair of ranked teams (#11 Florida and #25 Maryland) by outscoring the opposition 10-1, with a 46-8 edge in total shots, 27-4 in shots on goal and 12-5 in corners ... the Irish season stats now include a 123-25 shot edge (including 67-9 in 1st-half shots), plus 75-13 in shots on goal and 36-7 in CKs.

BIG WIN – The 4-1 win over #11 Florida marked the sixth time in the Randy Waldrum era (since '99) that the Irish have defeated an NSCAA top-20 opponent by 3-plus goals, also doing so vs. #16 Michigan in '99 (4-1), vs. #2 Santa Clara (6-1) and #15 Washington (5-0, at Portland) in 2000, at #25 Maryland in '02 (5-2) and vs. #4 SCU in '04 (5-2).

IT TAKES TWO – Notre Dame's lone loss of the '04 season saw the Irish claim a 1-0 lead at UConn in the BIG EAST title game ... the Irish then had several cracks at the magical 2-0 cushion that has proven to be insurmountable in the 18-year history of ND women's soccer (instead, UConn rallied for the 2-1 win) ... the Irish now are 234-0-1 all-time when claiming a 2-0 lead and have won 211 straight games when stretching out to a 2-0 cushion, dating back to Sept. 15, 1991 (when Vanderbilt ultimately forced a 3-3 tie) ... there have been only two other games in the program's history when the Irish gave up a 2-0 lead (but still went on to win): a 4-3 win over UConn in the '96 BIG EAST title game (the Irish led 3-0 but the Huskies scored three straight) and a 3-2 win over Duke at a '93 tournament in Houston ... the past 124 opponents to face a 2-0 deficit vs. the Irish have been unable to even tie the score (since '96 BE title game).

DOUBLE-DIGIT DEBUT – No Notre Dame freshman had a double-digit goalscoring season from 2001-03 but **Amanda Cinalli** changed that trend with a 10-game season in 2004 ... current freshman **Kerri Hanks** (11) already has become the program's 18th freshman with a double-digit goal season and needs one more goals to reach the top-10 on the ND freshman goalscorers list (only five ND freshmen have scored more than 15 goals in their debut season).

Notre Dame Freshmen with Double-Digit Goals

1. Anne Makinen ('97).....	23
2. Meotis Erikson ('97).....	22
Jenny Streiffer ('96).....	22
4. Monica Gerardo ('95).....	20
5. Cindy Daws ('93).....	16
6. Alison Lester ('90).....	14
Suzie Zilvitis ('88).....	14
8. Rosella Guerrero ('92).....	13
Stacia Masters ('93).....	13
10. Jenny Heft ('96).....	12
Michelle McCarthy ('92)...	12
12. Amanda Guertin ('00).....	11
Kerri Hanks ('05).....	11
13. Monica Gonzalez ('97)....	10
Amy Warner ('00).....	10
Stephanie Porter ('90).....	10
Amanda Cinalli ('04).....	10

FANTASTIC FRESHMEN – Kerri Hanks (11) already is nearly halfway to the ND record for goals by a freshman (23, by Anne Makinen in '97) and has fashioned an early pace that could see her post one of the top freshman goal totals in NCAA history ... no Division I women's soccer freshman has reached 30 goals since 1996, with the top freshman goalscoring seasons belonging to SMU's Lisa Cole (37, in 1987), Baylor's Molly Cameron (32, in 1996) and Washington State's Kim Lynass (30, in 1990) ... Cameron – who played for current ND head coach **Randy Waldrum** when he was the founding coach of the Baylor program – is the only freshman in the previous 14 seasons to reach 30 goals.

HANKS SETS RECORDS, EARNS NATIONAL HONORS – Second-semester freshman **Kerri Hanks** opened her college career with an impressive weekend, as *Soccer America* named her its national player of the week while *Soccer Buzz* included her on its 12-player "elite team of the week" ... the Dallas native also was named BIG EAST player of the week, after totaling 7G-1A in the pair of games at the Vermont Classic (3G-1A in 11-1 win over UNH, 4G in 6-0 win over UVm) ... she then was named BIG EAST rookie of the week after totaling 3G at ND's Inn at Saint Mary's Classic (1G in 4-1 win over Florida, 2G in 6-0 win over #25 Maryland).

NATIONAL LEADER – The weekly NCAA statistics show ND's Kerri Hanks as the national co-leader in goals (11G-1A) while ranking 2nd in pts (23) ... Hanks (4, vs. UVm) and Portland's Christine Sinclair are the only players to score more than 3-plus goals in a 2005 game.

BACK-TO-BACK BOOST – Kerri Hanks' performance at the Vermont Classic represented the most goals ever scored by an ND player in consecutive games (7) ... Cindy Daws (as a senior in '96) and Meotis Erikson ('97) had shared that record with hat tricks in back-to-back games ... Hanks joined Erikson as the only ND freshmen to post 3-plus goals in consecutive games.

SPRINT TO 10 – Kerri Hanks' furious scoring streak to start the season included tying the ND record for goals in a season opener (3) while setting ND records for most goals after the first two games (7), at the three-game mark (8) and after four games (10) ... Mary Boland held the previous ND record for most goals after three games (6, in 2003), a mark that Hanks already had surpassed after playing just two games ... in ND's Inn at Saint Mary's Classic, Hanks opened the scoring vs. Florida (4-1) by knocking in an Amanda Cinalli cross for a far-post goal in the 12th minute ... she also opened the scoring vs. Maryland for the eventual GWG (6-0), sending in a deflected **Katie Thorlakson** shot, and added a highly-skilled goal for a 3-0 halftime lead vs. Terps (elevating for a flick-header via a long serve from **Candace Chapman**) ... Hanks hit the post twice vs. Maryland, coming just shy of her bid for a third hat trick in the young '05 season.

THREE-GOAL OPENER – The 11-1 win over New Hampshire featured Kerri Hanks becoming the first Irish freshman in 13 years to register a hat trick in the opener ... Rosella Guerrero is ND's only other freshman ever to register a hat trick in an opener (4-3 loss to N.C. State, in '92) ... Hanks is one of 21 all-time ND players to score a hat trick (14 have done so as freshmen) but she joined Amy Warner (in '00) as the only Irish freshmen with hat tricks since '97 ... Hanks helped quickly end an early tie vs. UNH by assisting on a Susan Pinnick goal, later registering her hat trick in a 13-minute stretch ... her hat trick vs. UNH included scoring on a one-timer inside the far-left post (pass from Maggie Manning), cashing in a Katie Thorlakson thru-ball inside the left post and later knocking in Thorlakson's endline cross.

SHE KEEPS GOING AND GOING – Kerri Hanks joined Monica Gerardo as the only ND players ever to score in the first four games of a season ... Gerardo also did so as a freshman, ultimately scoring in the first five games of the national-title 1995 season ... Hanks did not score in the 2-1 loss at Santa Clara, failing to match Gerardo's mark ... seven other ND players have scored in the first three games of a season (three sophomores, one junior and three seniors), with Gerardo and Hanks the only freshmen to score in at least the first three games ... the other ND players who have scored in the first three games of a season include: Jodi Hartwig as a junior in '93, McCarthy as a senior in '95, Shannon Boxx as a sophomore in '96, Jenny Streiffer and Jenny Heft as sophomores in '97, and '03 teammates Boland (jr.) and Amy Warner (sr.).

FOUR-GOAL GREATNESS – The second game of '05 saw Kerri Hanks tie the ND record for goals in a game (4, in 6-0 win over Vermont) ... she scored the first 3G vs. UVm in a 20-minute stretch and later joined teammate Katie Thorlakson as one of four ND players ever to score 4G in a game (Thorlakson had her 4-goal game in '04, vs. St. John's) ... Hanks joined Monica Gerardo as the program's only freshmen ever to score 4G in a game ... Gerardo scored 4G vs. Indiana in '95 and also had a 4G-game vs. Seton Hall in '96 (as did Jenny Streiffer in '97 vs. Georgetown) ... opened the scoring vs. UVm on a 20-yard direct kick to the upper-right corner, later scoring on a tricky leftfooted far-post shot and then putting back a deflected shot (the final two goals were assisted by Amanda Cinalli) ... she broke free for her final goal, on a shot to the lower left.

DOUBLE HAT TRICKS – Just two games into her college career, Kerri Hanks had joined Susie Zilvitis ('88) and Erikson ('97) as the only ND freshmen with two hat tricks in a season ... the Irish record for hat tricks in a season (3) is shared by Cindy Daws ('96) and Jenny Heft ('98) while eight now have posted two HTs in the same season ... the program's first 17 seasons saw just 10 players register hat tricks in a season opener (6) or the second game (4) but Hanks did so in both game-1 and game-2 ... she joined Rosella Guerrero and her fellow '96 graduate Michelle McCarthy as the only Irish players with two career hat tricks in an opener or game-2.

BIG-TIME SCORING CLIP – When Kerri Hanks scored her second goal vs. Maryland, it gave her 10G in just 225 minutes of game action (4G every 90 minutes she was on the field).

DEW-JONES REPORT – Notre Dame's biggest losses from the '04 national championship team came in the defensive third, as the only departed starters were senior center backs Melissa Tancredi and Gudrun Gunnarsdottir while one of the top outside backs (Kate Tulisiak) also graduated ... two former teammates on the Cal-South state ODP team – freshman **Carrie Dew** and sophomore **Ashley Jones** – have been among the solutions for the new-look back line (they previously were captains on the Cal-South team that won the 2004 ODP national title) ... Dew has emerged as a top starter at a central defender spot while Jones has been a candidate at outside back, allowing juniors **Christie Shaner** and **Kim Lorenzen** to get some looks at the central role ... Jones played as a midfielder and defender in the opening week of the '05 season and her strong play earned a spot on the Vermont Classic all-tournament team (she played the full 90 minutes in the 6-0 win over Vermont) ... Jones also played the first 60 minutes as the starting left back vs. Florida, as Shaner missed the start due to illness (Jones then started at LB in both games at the SCU Classic) ... Dew knocked in a corner kick vs. Maryland and earned all-tournament honors at ND's Inn at Saint Mary's Classic, after helping the Irish outscore the Gators 10-1, with a 46-8 edge in total shots, 27-4 in shots on goal and 12-5 in corner kicks ... Dew and Jones have helped the Irish rack up a 32-5 season scoring edge, plus 123-25 in shots (67-9 in 1st-half shots), 75-13 in shots on goal and 36-7 in CKs ... Dew set up the game-winning goal vs. Maryland, playing pass to **Katie Thorlakson** that led to a **Kerri Hanks** rebound goal ... in addition to helping Cal-South win the national ODP title, Dew and Jones have played for club teams that won USYSA national titles (Dew with the San Diego Surf girls-16 team in 2003 and Jones with the girls-18 SoCal United in '04).

IT TAKES TWO – Notre Dame's lone loss of the '04 season saw the Irish claim a 1-0 lead at UConn in the BIG EAST title game ... the Irish then had several cracks at the magical 2-0 cushion that has proven to be insurmountable in the 18-year history of ND women's soccer (instead, UConn rallied for the 2-1 win) ... the Irish now are 234-0-1 all-time when claiming a 2-0 lead and have won 211 straight games when stretching out to a 2-0 cushion, dating back to Sept. 15, 1991 (when Vanderbilt ultimately forced a 3-3 tie) ... there have been only two other games in the program's history when the Irish gave up a 2-0 lead (but still went on to win): a 4-3 win over UConn in the '96 BIG EAST title game (the Irish led 3-0 but the Huskies scored three straight) and a 3-2 win over Duke at a '93 tournament in Houston ... the past 124 opponents to face a 2-0 deficit vs. the Irish have been unable to even tie the score (since '96 BE title game).

THE SET-UP – Current sophomore F/M **Amanda Cinalli** became the 16th Notre Dame freshman to score double-digit goals (10, in 2004) but she totaled just 5 assists in that 27-game season ... Cinalli already has matched that assist total in '05, with a pair of 2-assist games at the Vermont Classic (plus a goal in the 11-1 win over UNH), a header that ended up being the GWG vs. Florida (4-1) and the primary assist on the Kerri Hanks goal that opened the scoring vs. Maryland (6-0) ... Cinalli's versatile and strong all-around skills have allowed her to serve as both a forward and midfielder in '05, thus opening up the attack to better utilize the team's deep offensive talent.

POTENT TRIO – Senior Katie Thorlakson (6G-8A) and freshman Kerri Hanks (11G-1A) have combined with sophomore **Amanda Cinalli** (3G-5A) to form a potent forward trio that already has totaled 20 goals and 14 assists (54 points) in six games this season.

TRENDY – Here's a look at some of the Notre Dame players' scoring and games-played trends:

Katie Thorlakson76 consecutive GP (entire career)
 Jen Buczkowski.....1G-3A in last 13 GP (8G-10A in previous 20 GP), 57 straight GP
 Annie Schefter.....0G-5A in last 21 GP (4G-3A in previous 12 GP), 57 straight GP
 Christie Shaner.....54 straight GP (56 of 57 GP in career)
 Lizzie Reed.....has played in 45 of past 46 games (55 of 57 GP in career)
 Jill Krivacekhas played in 40 of past 41 games (55 of 57 GP in career)

NOTRE DAME VETERANS CAREER HIGHS

Player	Goals	Assists	Points
Katie Thorlakson	4 (vs. St. John's '04)	4 (vs. UNH '05)	10 (4G-2A, vs. SJU '04)
Candace Chapman	2 (vs. Pitt '01, BAY, SHU '04)		5 (2G-1A, vs. SHU '04)
Annie Schefter	2 (vs. WKU '03)	2 (vs. Hartford '03)	5 (2G-1A, vs. WKU '03)
Jen Buczkowski	2 (vs. OK, LOY '03)	2 (vs. BAY, SHU, SJU '04)	5 (2G-1A vs. OK '03)
Amanda Cinalli	2 (vs. BAY, PORT '04)	2 (vs. MICH '04; vs. UNH, UVm '05)	5 (2G-1A vs. BAY '04)
Kim Lorenzen			3 (1G-1A vs. SJU '04)
Lizzie Reed			3 (1G-1A vs. SJU '04)

Erika Bohn's most saves in a game: 7 vs. Villanova ('02; 1-2), 6 vs. Rutgers ('02; 1-0) and Georgetown ('04; 2-1)

PUNCHING THE CLOCK – Current senior F **Katie Thorlakson** missed the first two games of her ND career due to the 2002 Under-19 World Championship but has not missed a game since joining the Irish (76 straight) ... senior M **Annie Schefter** (missed '02 due to injury) and junior M **Jen Buczkowski** each have appeared in all 57 games over the past two seasons while junior D **Christie Shaner** has played in 56 of 57 (54 straight, dnp vs. ASU in '03) ... three of Shaner's classmates had played in 54 of 55 games with ND before missing action at the SCU Classic: D **Kim Lorenzen** (had played 45 straight; dnp vs. Indiana State in '03), F/M **Lizzie Reed** (had played 44 straight; dnp vs. West Virginia in '02) and DM **Jill Krivacek** (had played 40 straight; dnp vs. UConn in '03).

FIRST-HALF FORTRESS – The Notre Dame defense has been particularly stingy in the 1st half the past five seasons ('01-'05), allowing just 28 goals in the 1st half of those 97 games (0.29/gm) ... the 1st half in '02 saw little scoring (12-10 ND edge), compared to a 40-7 first-half edge in '03 (30-4 in '04, while allowing just 64 first-half shots and 15 corner kicks) ... the Irish have been **equally dominant in the first (86-13) and second half (83-16)** over the past three seasons ('03-'05), including 16-2 in the first half and 16-3 in the second half during the '05 season.

BIG-TIME HELPER – Current sophomore M/D **Ashley Jones** had four assists in 2004 and each held up as the primary assist on gamewinning goals ... two of those big passes came in the postseason: on Jen Buczkowski's goal vs. #19 Boston College in the BIG EAST semifinals and the leftside cross on Candace Chapman's header vs. #15 UConn in the NCAA third round ... Jones earlier had set up Buczkowski's goal vs. #20 BC in the regular season (1-0) and also assisted on Maggie Manning's early goal in the 3-0 win at Texas Tech ... Katie Thorlakson led the '04 team with 6 GWAs, followed by Jones (4) and Buczkowski (3).

WEEK-1 NOTES – Notre Dame opened play at the Vermont Classic with wins over New Hampshire (11-1) and the host Catamounts (6-0) ... senior **Katie Thorlakson** set the ND record for points in an opener (8; 2G-4A vs. UNH) while freshman **Kerri Hanks** set the ND record for goals in back-to-back games (7; 3G-1A vs. UNH, 4G vs. UVm) ... the 17 goals are 2nd-most ever by the Irish in the first two games of a season (behind the 20 scored by the '96 team, which won 14-0 at Providence and 6-0 at Boston College) ... the 17 goals rank as 6th-most ever by the Irish in consecutive games (any time in a season) and are the most since the '97 team posted big wins over Georgetown (9-0) and Wisconsin (10-0) ... the 11 goals vs. UNH marked the 3rd time in the program's 18-year history that the Irish have registered double-digit goals in the season opener and are most in an opener since the 14-0 win at PC in '96 ... just five previous games in the program's history (spanning nearly 400 games) have seen the Irish score more goals – with the UNH game representing the most goals by ND in 205 games (since an 11-0 win over West Virginia, on Oct. 25, 1996) ... ND has won six straight openers and 11 of its past 12 season-opening games, with the lone loss coming in double-OT vs. North Carolina during the first game under current head coach Randy Waldrum (in '99) ... the Irish have won their past three season openers by a combined score of 27-4 ... since the 11-0 win over West Virginia in the middle of the '96 season, the Irish had reached double-digit goals just once (10-0 vs. Georgetown, on 10/1/99) prior to the UNH game ... it was the 16th double-digit scoring game in the program's history ... the only ND openers with more goals have been the '96 game at PC (14-0) and a 12-0 win at LaSalle to open the '93 season ... ND now is 16-2 all-time in season openers (the other loss was the '92 game vs. N.C. State) ... the only times ND has scored more goals in a game: 17-0 vs. Tri-State ('89), 14-0 vs. PC ('96), 12-0 at Loyola and at LaSalle (both in '93) and 12-1 vs. Valparaiso ('90) ... the seven different goalscorers vs. UNH – Kerri Hanks (3), Katie Thorlakson (2), Brittany Bock (2), Susan Pinnick, Maggie Manning and Jill Krivacek – equaled the most in a Waldrum-era game at ND (also in '01 vs. SJU and '03 vs. North Texas).

HOME IS WHERE THE WINS ARE – The 2004 NCAA quarterfinal win over Portland gave ND its 7th unbeaten season at home (14-0-1) and first since the '00 team went 15-0-0 at home ... others are '91 (10-0-0), '93 (8-0-0), '94 (8-0-0), '96 (14-0-0) and '97 (11-0-1).

IRISH UNMATCHED IN THE CLASSROOM – Notre Dame's 2004 national championship team actually was overflowing with players who owned strong Academic All-America credentials (the CoSIDA team recognizes "starters or top reserves" who have a GPA of at least 3.20), with current senior G **Erika Bohn** receiving 2004 first team Academic All-America honors (she now owns a 3.67 cumulative GPA, as an art studio major) while current senior M **Annie Scheffter** (3.76, psychology and pre-professional science) was a 2nd-team selection ... other top scholars on the 2004 team included '05 graduate and central back **Gudrun Gunnarsdottir** (3.31 prior to '04 season, as finance major) and current junior D/M **Kim Lorenzen** (3.24, finance) ... as a group, the ND women's soccer team followed up the nation title by posting a 3.38 team GPA in the 2004 fall semester and then a 3.35 in the spring of '05 that ranked 2nd-best among ND's 26 varsity sports ... '05 graduated F **Mary Boland** (spring '05) joined current sophomore M/D **Ashley Jones** and sophomore F/M **Jannica Tjeder** in posting 4.0 semester GPAs during 2004-05.

BLAME IT ON RIO? (actually ... Campinas) – Notre Dame's 2000 team had a preseason training trip to Brazil and went on to claim the No. 1 ranking before advancing to the NCAA semifinals (as the top seed) ... the '04 team (10 days in Brazil, 6 weeks at #1) then duplicated that pattern and advanced all the way to claiming the NCAA title (as the #4 seed) ... the Aug. 10-19 trip in 2004 (based in Campinas, Brazil) featured a 5-0-1 record and 16-3 scoring edge vs. top semi-pro women's teams from the Sao Paulo area ... the games attracted local spectators and included traditional exchange of gifts, plus group photos ... the Irish enjoyed great camaraderie at the five-star Vitoria Hotel and soaked in the atmosphere at first-division men's games at Ponta Preta and Guarani ... meals included many exotic and tasty forms of pizza and the unique Brazilian steakhouses with table-top carvings of a variety of entrees ... top scorers on the trip included **Candace Chapman** (4G), **Katie Thorlakson** (6A), **Jannica Tjeder** (3G-2A) and **Ashley Jones** (2G-3A).

PRIMETIME POINTS – Junior defensive M **Jill Krivacek** has totaled 2G-1A (5 points) in six career NCAA Tournament games (3 GS), compared to 2G-4A (8 points) in the rest of her ND career (49 GP/29 GS) ... the biggest of her postseason points came on the goal in the '04 NCAA 2nd round vs. Wisconsin (1-0), when she headed in a Katie Thorlakson corner kick with just 53 seconds left in regulation.

HOME SWEET HOME – Notre Dame owns a 168-14-3 all-time record (.916) at Alumni Field, including 49-10-1 vs. NSCAA top-25 teams ... 8 of ND's last 10 home losses have been by a single goal ... ND went unbeaten at home in the 2004 regular season (9-0-1), marking the 9th time in the program's first 15 years at Alumni Field that ND did not lose a regular-season home game (all but '90, '92, '95, '02, '03) ... the Irish have won nearly 92% of their all-time regular-season home games at Alumni Field (135-11-3, .915), including four seasons with one loss ... in 10 of the previous 11 seasons (all but '03), the Irish have suffered 0-1 regular-season losses at home (99-7-3, .922 in that 11-year stretch) ... ND added five postseason home wins in 2004 for a 14-0-1 home record that included a 47-7 scoring edge (avg. 3.1-0.4), plus 357-61 in shots (24-4), 178-30 in shots on goal (12-2) and 99-21 in corner kicks (7-1).

HOME GIRLS – Top scorers at Alumni Field in 2004 included junior F **Katie Thorlakson** (17G-17A, 51 pts, 3.4 ppg, 7 GWG), senior F **Candace Chapman** (9G-4A, 22 pts), sophomore M **Jen Buczkowski** (4G-8A, 16 pts, GWG) and junior M **Annie Scheffter** (4G-6A, 14 pts, 2 GWG) ... Thorlakson has totaled 33 points in her past eight home games (11G-11A) and has racked up 78 points at Alumni Field in the past three seasons ('03-'05; 27G-24A, 9 GWG in 33 GP) ... Scheffter has scored all 8 of her career goals (4 GWG) at home while Buczkowski has registered 8 of her 11 career goals and 31 of her 43 career points (72%) with the Irish in the confines of Alumni Field.

FRONTRUNNERS – Since a 3-2 loss to BYU on Oct. 19, 2002, ND has trailed in just 12 of 61 games for 283:06 (5.2% of 5,414:11), going 53-6-2 in that 61-game stretch ... 5 of ND's 12 deficits in that span have been 11 minutes or shorter while only three teams have led the Irish more than 40 minutes over that 61-game stretch (Michigan for 60, Boston College for 83, Pittsburgh for 41) ... that Pittsburgh deficit represents the only time in the past 24 games that the Irish have trailed for more than 40 minutes (no team has led ND for more than 45 minutes since the 2003 BIG EAST semifinal vs. BC, a span of 35 games).

20-SOMETHING – Notre Dame in 2004 reached the 20-win plateau for the ninth time in a span of 11 seasons, going on to set the ND record for wins in a season (25-1-1; a win total bested by just three teams in NCAA Div. I history) ... the 1996 team held the previous ND record of 24 wins, with the Irish also posting 23 victories in 1994, '97 and '00, 21 wins in '95, '98 and '99, and 20 Ws in '03.

ND RECORD BOOK

Career Points (G-A)

1. Jenny Streiffer	211 (70-71)
2. Monica Gerardo.....	190 (73-44)
3. Cindy Daws.....	189 (61-67)
Jenny Heft	189 (80-29)
5. Anne Makinen.....	186 (65-56)
6. Holly Manthei	177 (24-129)
7. Meotis Erikson.....	164 (59-46)
8. Michelle McCarthy....	156 (59-38)
9. Rosella Guerrero.....	142 (55-32)
10. Shannon Boxx.....	135 (39-57)
11. Katie Thorlakson ..	132 (43-46)

Career Points Per Game

1. Jenny Streiffer	2.11
2. Anne Makinen	2.07
3. Cindy Daws	2.01
4. Jenny Heft	1.97
5. Monica Gerardo.....	1.94
6. Holly Manthei	1.77
7. Michelle McCarthy.....	1.75
8. Katie Thorlakson	1.74

Career Goals

1. Jenny Heft	80
2. Monica Gerardo.....	73
3. Jenny Streiffer	70
4. Anne Makinen	65
5. Cindy Daws	61
6. M. Erikson/M. McCarthy	59
8. Rosella Guerrero.....	55
9. Amanda Guertin	48
10. Alison Lester	45
11. Suzie Zilvitis	44
12. Katie Thorlakson	43

Career Assists

1. Holly Manthei	129
2. Jenny Streiffer	71
3. Cindy Daws	67
4. Shannon Boxx	57
5. Anne Makinen	56
6. Jen Grubb	53
7. Katie Thorlakson	46

40 Goals-40 Assists Club

Jenny Streiffer ('00)	70G-71A
Cindy Daws ('96)	61G-67A
Anne Makinen ('01).....	65G-56A
Meotis Erikson ('01)	59G-46A
Monica Gerardo ('99)	73G-44A
Katie Thorlakson	43G-46A

Career Gamewinning Goals

1. J. Heft/M. McCarthy.....	19
3. Amanda Guertin	18
4. Monica Gerardo.....	17
5. A. Makinen/R. Guerrero	16
7. Jenny Streiffer	15
8. Katie Thorlakson	13

Career Gamewinning Assists

1. Holly Manthei	25
2. Jenny Streiffer	21
3. Cindy Daws	18
8. Katie Thorlakson	14

THORLAKSON NAMED TO NATIONAL TEAM OF THE WEEK – Senior F **Katie Thorlakson** (Langley, B.C.) repeated as offensive MVP of ND's annual home tournament and then was named to *Soccer America's* national team of the week, after totaling 3G-3A in the wins over #11 Florida (2G-1A; 4-1) and #25 Maryland (1G-2A; 6-0) ... she assisted on goals that held up as the gamewinners vs. the Gators and Terps while became 35th player in Div. I women's soccer history (6th from ND) to reach 40G-40A in her career ... she had corner-kick assists in both games (giving her 3 CK assists for the season, after 8 in '04), providing CK service on Amanda Cinalli's header for 2-0 lead on Florida ... later volleyed in a **Christie Shaner** cross and converted a PK ... was inches away from scoring earlier goal that would have helped produce her third career hat trick, drilling 25-yard shot off left post ... her strong shot produced a **Kerri Hanks** rebound goal to open scoring vs. Maryland and she added a CK assist on **Carrie Dew's** goal before ripping a 25-yard shot into sidenetting for 4-0 lead.

FOUR-TIME HONOREE – Katie Thorlakson has been named BIG EAST offensive player of the week four times in her career (Sept. 5, 2005, plus Aug. 30, Sept. 6 and Oct. 4 of 2004), tied for 3rd-most in the 11-year history of the BIG EAST awards ... former Seton Hall standout and English national teamer Kelly Smith holds the BIG EAST record with six career offensive player-of-the-week honors (from '97-'99), followed by former West Virginia forward Chrissie Abbott (5; from '01-'03) and six others with four career honors (including Thorlakson) ... 16 all-time ND players have combined for BIG EAST offensive player of the week 36 times, led by Thorlakson and three other four-time honorees: Monica Gerardo (95-96-98-98), Jenny Streiffer (96-97-97-99) and Jenny Heft (97-98-98-99) ... two others – Anne Makinen (97-99-00) and Amy Warner (01-02-03) – have been two-time honorees while four have received the weekly offensive award twice: Michelle McCarthy (95), Amy Van Laecke (95-96), Meotis Erikson (97-00) and Mia Sarkesian (00-01) ... others to receive the award include Holly Manthei and Cindy Daws in '96, Amanda Guertin in '01, Mary Boland in '03, **Amanda Cinalli** in '04 and Kerri Hanks in '05 ... ND's 36 offensive player-of-the-week honors are well ahead of the second team on that list (UConn, with 27), followed distantly by WVU (12), SHU (8) and Villanova (8).

GETTING ON A ROLL – Katie Thorlakson's 2G-1A vs. Florida represented the 7th time in the past two seasons (31 GP) that she has posted 5-plus points in a game (it was her 9th career multi-goal game) ... her only career road games with 5-plus points came at Michigan in 2004 (2G-2A) and in the '05 opener vs. New Hampshire (2G-4A, at Vermont) ... ND players have posted 8-plus points in a game 12 times, led by three from Thorlakson ... Monica Gerardo and Jenny Streiffer are the only other players ever to register 8-plus points in multiple games during their Irish career (each did so twice) ... after the UNH game, Thorlakson had scored or assisted on 30 of Notre Dame's previous 39 official fall-season goals ... here are the top single-game point totals in Thorlakson's career:

- 10 points vs. St. John's (4G-2A) on Oct. 31, 2004 (8-0; BIG EAST quarterfinal, Alumni Field)
- 8 points vs. New Hampshire (2G-4A) on Aug. 26, 2005 (11-1; at Univ. of Vermont)
- 8 points vs. #4 Santa Clara (3G-2A) on Sept. 5, 2004 (5-2; at Alumni Field)
- 7 points vs. Baylor (2G-3A) on Aug. 7, 2004 (7-2; at Alumni Field)
- 6 points at Michigan (2G-2A) on Oct. 28, 2005 (4-0; at UM)
- 5 points vs. #11 Florida (2G-1A) on Sept. 2, 2005 (4-1; at Alumni Field)
- 5 points vs. Wisconsin-Green Bay (2G-1A) on Sept. 26, 2004 (4-0; at Alumni Field)

RECORD-SETTING OPENER – Katie Thorlakson's 2G-4A vs. New Hampshire represent the most points (8) ever by an ND player in a season opener ... Thorlakson scored the opening goal vs. UNH and assisted on a Susan Pinnick score, later assisting on the final two Kerri Hanks goals and adding the corner-kick assist on Amanda Cinalli's goal before scoring her own second goal of the game ... that four-goal stretch, featuring 1G-3A from Thorlakson, covered just 5:13 on a scoreboard that saw the Irish lead jump from 3-1 to 7-1 ... the 4-assist game marked the first of Thorlakson's ND career ... Thorlakson also had a big opener in '04, with 2G-3A in the 7-2 win over Baylor ... her points streak ended last weekend vs. Vermont, playing just 29 minutes as the Irish utilized their bench in that 6-0 win.

EVEN DOZEN – Katie Thorlakson's points in the '05 opener helped her tie an ND record by registering a point in 12 straight official fall games with the Irish ... Anne Makinen had points in 12 consecutive games during the 1999 season but (like Thorlakson) did so in only 11 straight team games, as she missed four games that year while playing with the Finland National Team (she had a point in the game before departing for national-team duty and then recorded points in the 11 games after returning to action with the Irish).

IN THE RECORD BOOKS – Katie Thorlakson's 132 pts rank 11th in ND history (3 shy of tying Shannon Boxx) ... she is 7th on the ND career assists list (46) and remains 12th in goals (43), just behind Susie Zilvitis (44) and Alison Lester (45) ... her 14 career game-winning assists are 4th-most in ND history ... Jenny Streiffer (15 GWG-21 GWA) is the only player in the ND record book with more GWGs and more GWAs than Thorlakson (whose 13 GWGs rank 13th).

THE 40-40 CLUB

Notre Dame senior F **Katie Thorlakson** (43G-46A) recently became the 6th ND player and 35th in Div. I history to reach 40 goals and 40 assists in her career (she now has reached 43G-43A) ... only 26 players in NCAA history have reached 43-43 while 22 have reached 44-44 and 21 have been 45G-45A players (20 have been 46-46, 19 have been 47-47 and 18 have been 48-48) ... by totaling 6 more goals and 3 more assists, Thorlakson would become the 16th to reach 49G-49A.

The NCAA 50-50 club includes 16 players, with three from ND players: Jenny Streiffer (70-71), Cindy Daws (61-67) and Anne Makinen (65-56) ... Streiffer and Daws are two of five ever to reach 60-60 (listed below) while Streiffer and former UNC player Mia Hamm are the only 70-70 players ... UNC (8) and ND (6) are the only teams to produce more than three players in the 40-40 club ... the other ND players to reach 40-40 are Monica Gerardo (73-44) and Meotis Erikson (59-46) ... Thorlakson needs 2G to become ND's fifth player with 45-45 and is 5G-2A shy of becoming the program's fourth to reach 47G-47A ... Thorlakson needed just 11 games to go from 30G-30A to 40G-40A.

Here's a look at the 40-40 Club:

Mia Hamm (UNC, '89-'93) ... 103G-72A
Jenny Streiffer (ND, '96-'99) ... 70G-71A

Mandy Clemens (SCU, '96-'99)...67G-65A
Cindy Daws (ND, '93-'96) ... 61G-67A
Carin Jennings (UCSB, '83-'86).102G-60A

Alyssa Ramsey (UNC, '00-'03) ...57G-71A
Debbie Keller (UNC, '93-'96) ... 67G-57A
Anne Makinen (ND, '97-'00) ... 65G-56A
Robin Confer (UNC, '94-'97) ... 77G-55A
Christie Pearce (Mon., '93-'96) ...79G-54A
Cindy Parlow (UNC, '95-'98) ... 68G-53A
Christie Welsh (PSU, '99-'02) ... 82G-52A
Missy Wycinsky (W&M, '96-'99)..75G-52A
April Heinrichs (UNC, '83-'86) ... 87G-51A
Tisha Venturini (UNC, '91-'94) ... 69G-51A
Abby Wambach (Fla., '98-'01) ... 96G-50A

Danielle Garrett Fotopoulos (SMU/Florida, '94-'98) ... 118G-48A
Holly Pedley (Army, '94-'97) ... 48G-48A
Jen Carlson (UConn, '97-'00) ... 53G-47A
Meotis Erikson (ND, '97-'00) ... 59G-46A
Shannon MacMillan (UP, '92-'95).85G-45A
Lisa Cole (SMU, '87-'90) ... 101G-44A
Monica Gerardo (ND, '95-'98) ... 73G-44A
Andi Sellers (Florida, '97-'01) ... 71G-43A
Katie Thorlakson (ND, '02-) ... 43G-46A
Margaret Tietjin (UConn, '95-'98).43G-43A
Anne Mucci (NIU, '95-'98) ... 43G-43A

Jennifer Walek (Minn., '93-'97) ...60G-42A
Dianne Monroe (UCSB, '86-'89)...58G-42A
Cindy Fix (Detroit, '93-'96) ... 54G-42A
Ann Cook (W&M, '93-'97) ... 42G-49A
Kerry Connors (UConn, '93-'96)..43G-42A
Kristine Lilly (UNC, '89-'92) ... 78G-41A
Tiff. Milbrett (Port., '90-'94)... 103G-40A
Melissa Pini (Florida, '95-'98)...60G-40A

KATIE THORLAKSON QUICK NOTES – Has averaged nearly 3.0 points per game in the past two seasons (29G-31A, 89 points in 33 GP/2.70 ppg), has points in 15 of ND's past 17 games (18G-20A/56 pts; no pts vs. Vermont/29 min. or vs. SCU) and has scored/assisted on 38 of ND's past 60 goals (63%) ... averaging 1.74 pts/gm in her career, 8th in ND record book and close to the Michelle McCarthy (1.75) and Holly Manthei (1.77) career averages ... has played in 76 consecutive games with the Irish (her entire career) ... has totaled 60 career points (20G-20A, 7 GWG) at Alumni Field during the '04 and '05 seasons, in 17 GP (3.53 ppg) ... has 33 points in her past 8 home games (11G-11A) and has racked up 78 points at Alumni Field during the '03-'05 seasons (27G-24A, 9 GWG in 33 GP).

NATIONAL LEADER – Katie Thorlakson again ranks 1st in the nation in assists (8), also 6th in points (20) and is one of three players with 8-plus points in a 2005 game (2G-4A vs. UNH)

SIX-PACK – The '04 season saw Katie Thorlakson become the first ND player ever to score/assist on team's first five goals in game (vs. Baylor, again vs. #4 SCU) ... she went one better by having a hand in first six scores vs. St. John's, yielding even more impressive streak of 12 straight Irish goals in which she scored or assisted (she ended with a G/A on 24 of ND's final 28 goals in '04, dating back to the 2nd goal in the 3-1 win over SHU)

THORLAKSON HITS RARE 20-20 MILESTONE – Katie Thorlakson in 2004 joined an elite list of 10 all-time Division I players to reach 20 goals and 20 assists in a season but she then became part of an even more exclusive group, as one of five to reach 22G and 22A – before reaching 23G-23A when the dust had settled on the '04 season (23G-24A) ... former UNC great Mia Hamm (32G-33A, '92) is the only Division I player ever to total more goals and more assists in a season than Thorlakson ... six of the 20-20 players – former ND great Cindy Daws (26G-20A, '96), the UNC trio of Hamm (32-33, '92), Robin Confer (20-22, '97) and Lindsay Tarpley (23-27, '03), UConn's Sarah Whalen (21-22, '97) and Santa Clara's Mandy Clemens (24-23, '99) – each received some type of national player-of-the-year recognition during their 20-20 seasons ... others on that short list include another former Irish player, Jenny Streiffer (22G-22A, '96), four-time All-American and UC Santa Barbara legend Carin Jennings (20G-26A, '86) and UNC Greensboro's Kati Kantanen (24G-20A) ... Thorlakson and Tarpley are the only 20-20 players in the past five seasons ... Thorlakson joined Hamm, Tarpley, Clemens and Streiffer as the 5th player ever to reach 22G-22A ... she ultimately joined Hamm, Tarpley and Clemens as the only "23-23" players.

THOR BRINGS THUNDER AND LIGHTNING – Katie Thorlakson led the nation in 2004 in assists (24) and points (70) while ranking 3rd in goals (23) ... her 10 points vs. St. John's (4G-2A) were 5th-most by a Div. I player in '04 (among players from 306 schools) while her 8 points vs. #4 Santa Clara tied for 8th and were most by any player vs. a top-25 opponent ... she was the only player from a 2004 top-25 team who posted 8-plus points in a game (doing so twice) and was one of two players to post 8-plus points in multiple games during the '04 season ... she also was one of just two players in '04 who posted 4-plus goals and 3-plus assists in games during the '04 season.

NCAA 2004 Division I Leaders for Total Points

1. **Katie Thorlakson (Notre Dame)..... 23G-24A.....70 points**
2. Tiffany Weimer (Penn State)..... 26G-12A..... 64 points
3. Leeanna Woodworth (Gardner Webb) ... 22G-15A..... 59 points
4. Christine Sinclair (Portland) 22G-11A..... 54 points

NCAA 2004 Division I Leaders for Goals

1. Tiffany Weimer (Penn State)..... 26 goals
2. **Katie Thorlakson (Notre Dame)..... 23 goals**
Aisha Horne (Jackson State) 23 goals
4. Christine Sinclair (Portland) 22 goals
Leeanna Woodworth (Gardner Webb) ... 22 goals

NCAA 2004 Division I Leaders for Assists

1. **Katie Thorlakson (Notre Dame) 24 assists**
2. Leanna Woodworth (Gardner Webb) 15 assists
Rakel Logodottie (UNC Greensboro) 15 assists

Players in 2004 with 13-Plus Goals And Assists

Katie Thorlakson (Notre Dame) 23G-24A
Brittany Timko (Nebraska) 15G-13A
Leeanna Woodworth (Gardner Webb) 22G-15A
Kelly Wilson (Texas) 16G-14A

WHAT THEY SAID ABOUT KATIE THORLAKSON IN 2004

Santa Clara Head Coach Jerry Smith – "(Thorlakson) is a player with international experience and she can raise her level to whatever level it needs to be. Good forwards can be quiet for periods of a game and then turn it up. ... I'm a coach that doesn't emphasize the physical stature of a player. So I think Katie is an example of why you don't have to be the biggest or the fastest. She has a nice combination of determination, grit and skillfulness. She has a great feel for the game. She reminds me of a player I used to watch in the '70s, he played for Germany – Gurd Muller. He was a very small forward but was very crafty and sneaky. If you research Gurd Muller, you will know that's a huge compliment to Katie. She is a terrific player and we have a lot of respect for her."

Wisconsin Head Coach Dean Duerst (asked to compare Thorlakson and Tiffany Weimer of Penn State) – "They are very comparable and outstanding goalscorers. Weimer has some people around her that play her through a little bit more forward. She scores a lot more goals on just breakaways and she kind of just hides out there whereas Katie is very involved in every aspect of Notre Dame's game. ... They are two of the premier players that I've seen in the past few years in the country."

Eastern Illinois Head Coach Stave Ballard – "Thorlakson is dynamic and does so many things. She knows the game well, she's technical, she's quick and she can do it 1-v-1 but she also shares the ball and that's so nice to see. She is a complete player and I just love watching her play. It's fortunate in soccer that you don't have to be 6-foot-10 to be a dominant player, even on the men's side you see players who are 5-5 who are dominant players. And (Thorlakson) is great in the air. She is 5-3 but she can get up with the best of them. She reads the flight of the ball. There are so many things she adds to that team and it's a pleasure to watch that on the field."

ND Head Coach Randy Waldrum – "Candace Chapman is readjusting to forward and Amanda Cinalli is still a young kid. Sometimes they aren't in sync with Katie and we have to try different things. That all shows what Katie does because there have been several games where she's had to carry the load. She is a tremendous model for the other kids to see, to play with her and see how she handles different situations. It amazes me how much she fights people off. She has been double- and triple-teamed the past month. That all makes her stats even more incredible. Most scoring players up front just score goals and don't do anything else but Katie is in the game 90 minutes and she brings others in. You rarely find a player with those kind of stats on both sides, with goals and assists."

BIG EAST 2004 AWARD RECAP

- **Randy Waldrum** received an unprecedented fourth BIG EAST coach-of-the-year award (also '99, '00, '03; no other coach has more than two) ... he also was '98 Big 12 coach of the year (at Baylor) and twice was named Missouri Valley Conference men's soccer coach of the year at Tulsa ('91, '93) ... Waldrum's 23 coaching seasons (prior to '05) include six NSCAA regional coach-of-the-year honors ... he was the only Division I women's soccer coach to repeat as an NSCAA region coach of the year (Great Lakes Region, in '03 and '04).
- Notre Dame's seven all-BIG EAST selections were nearly double any other team (four schools each had four honorees).
- **G Erika Bohn** – despite ultimately leading the nation with a 0.41 goals-against average – again was overlooked for the BIG EAST awards (she was an NSCAA 2nd team all-region pick in '03 but was not named all-BIG EAST).
- **Melissa Tancredi** became the third player to repeat as BIG EAST defensive player of the year, joining former Notre Dame great Jen Grubb ('98, '99) and UConn's Sara Whalen ('95, '96)
- **Katie Thorlakson** amazingly was the first ND player ever named BIG EAST offensive player of the year, despite the fact that former M Cindy Daws ('96) and Anne Makinen ('00) earned the Hermann Trophy while others such as four-time All-American Holly Manthei (the NCAA all-time assists leader) and forward Jenny Streiffer (who joined Mia Hamm as the only women's soccer players ever to reach 70 career goals and 70 assists) likewise could have preceded Thorlakson as BIG EAST offensive player-of-the-year recipients.
- Notre Dame became the first team since '95 to sweep the top three BIG EAST awards – offensive (**Thorlakson**) and defensive (**Tancredi**) player and coach (**Randy Waldrum**) of the year ... Thorlakson followed Tancredi's '03 lead as the only players ever to receive a major BIG EAST women's soccer award after not being all-BIG EAST previously in their careers.
- **Candace Chapman** holds the unique distinction of earning all-BIG EAST honors at multiple positions, after being a 1st-team selection as a freshman and sophomore at right back (also '02 BIG EAST defensive player of the year) and a 3rd-teamer as a forward in '04.
- **Jen Buczkowski** followed in the footsteps of three all-time greats – Daws ('95, '96), Makinen ('97-'00) and Manthei ('95-'97) – as the fourth Notre Dame midfielder to earn 1st team all-BIG EAST
- Thorlakson, **Amanda Cinalli** and Chapman became the fourth trio of forwards from the same team to earn all-BIG EAST, including Streiffer, Monica Gerardo (both 1st team) and Amy Van Laecke (2nd team) in 1996 followed by Jenny Heft, Gerardo (both 1st team) and Streiffer (2nd team) in '98 ... UConn produced three 1st-team forwards in '95 (Jana Carabino, Kerry Connors, Christy Rowe).
- Thorlakson and Tancredi pulled off the offensive/defensive double, achieved just twice previously in the 10-year history of the BIG EAST women's soccer awards (by Connors and Whalen with the '95 and '96 UConn teams) ... Len Tsintaris also was the 1995 coach of the year, the only previous time that a BIG EAST team produced the offensive, defensive and coach awards in the same season.
- **Christe Shaner**, in the words of Waldrum, was ND's "most consistent defender" in '04 but she failed to improve on her 2nd team all-BIG EAST from '03, slipping to 3rd team ... the '04 first team all-BIG EAST selections included just one defender (Tancredi).
- Irish players now have combined to win six of the past eight BIG EAST defensive player-of-the-year awards ... ND's previous recipients include former greats Kate Sobrero ('97) and Grubb ('98, '99), plus Chapman in '01 and Tancredi in '03.
- Cinalli became ND's eighth freshman ever to be a 1st-team all-BIG EAST selection, with others including Gerardo ('95), Streiffer ('96), Grubb ('96), Makinen ('97), Fs Meotis Erikson ('97) and Amy Warner ('00), and Chapman ('01) ... two others – M Shannon Boxx ('95) and Shaner – were 2nd team all-BIG EAST picks as freshmen ... ND produced a pair of 1st-team forwards for the second consecutive season (Warner and Mary Boland in '03), with no other BIG EAST team including two 1st-team forwards since '99 (Streiffer and Heft).
- 22 Notre Dame players now have combined for 1st team all-BIG EAST honors 38 times since '95, with that group including 7 defenders combining 13 first-team awards, 4 midfielders (10 awards), 8 forwards (12 awards) and 3 goalkeepers.

NOTRE DAME PLAYER QUICK-FACT SHEET

Pos.	Player (Yr.; Hometown)	Notes
F	#7 Katie Thorlakson (Sr.; Langley, BC)	Hermann Trophy Watch List; '05 preseason All-American; BE off. player of the year 2005 stats: 6G-8A (1st in nation), 20 pts/6th, 6 GS ND record pts in opener (8; 2G-4A vs. UNH); 2G-1A FL; 1G-2A MD, 1G-1A Gon. '04 stats: 23G-24A (70 pts), 8 GWG, 27 GP/26 GS '04 Nat'l Player of Year (SA, SB, SIOC); 34th Div. I player w/ 40G-40A career: 43G-46A (132 pts/11th ND history), 14 GWG, 76 GP/69 GS 8th in ND history with 1.74 pts/gm (2nd with 70 pts in season) led nation in '04 in pts, asts (2nd in gls) ... G/A on 24 of ND's final 26 goals in '04; 4th player in NCAA history to reach 23G-23A '04: 2G-3A vs. Baylor; 8 pts vs. #4 SCU (3G-2A) most at ND vs. top-25 (3rd with hat trick vs. top-10); 8 GWG in '04 tied ND record ND record 10 pts vs. SJU (4G-2A, tied ND goal rec.); 1st ND player w/ G/A on team's first 5 goals (vs. BAY, SCU, 1st 6 vs. SJU)
F/M	#5 Amanda Cinalli (So.; Maple Hts, OH)	'04: 1st team all-BE; 4th ND fr. to score 1st goal; 4th ND player with first 2G (BAY) 2005 stats: 3G-5A (11 pts), 6 GP/4 GS, GWG '04 BE player of week (1G vs. VU, GU), rookie of wk (GWG vs. UConn, 1A vs. SYR) 2004 stats: 10G-5A (25 pts), 27 GP/24 GS, 4 GWG '05: 1G-2A vs. UNH, 2A vs. Vermont, 1G-1A vs. FL, G vs. Gon. career: 13G-10A (36 pts), 33 GP/28 GS, 5 GWG GWGs vs. EIU and Port. (2) in NCAAs; prep All-American; U.S. U-17 Nat'l Team
F	#2 Kerri Hanks (Fr.; Allen, TX)	SA nat'l player of the week (3G-1A vs. UNH, 4G vs. UVm; ND rec. for gls in consec. gms) '05: 11G-1A (23 pts), 6 GP/4 GS, 2 GWG BE rookie of week (G vs. FL, 2G vs. MD); G vs. Gon.; quickest ND player to 10G (4 GP) '04 signee joined ND in spring of '05 ... top scorer with U.S. U-19s (22G in 30 GP) tied ND record with 4G in game
D/F	#8 Candace Chapman (Sr.; Ajax, ONT)	'05 Soccer America preseason All-American (one of 11); Hermann watch list (25) 2005 stats: 2A (vs. MD/Gon.), 6 GS '05 ND Classic All-Tourn. ... '04: 3rd team all-BIG EAST; GWGs in NCAAs vs. UConn, SCU 2004 stats: 12G-8A, 32 pts (2nd BE), 27 GP/16 GS '04: 2G vs. BAY, 2G-1A vs. SHU, 1G vs. SCU (reg.-sea. and NCAAs) and ASU career: 17G-16A (50 pts), 4 GWG, 71 GP/59 GS 2nd tm All-American/BE Def. Player of Yr. ('02); missed '03 (ACL inj. w/ Canada)
F/M	#17 Susan Pinnick (So.; South Bend, IN)	missed '04 season due to injury (club team van accident in summer '04) '05 stats: 2 G (vs. UNH/GWG and Gon.), 5 GP/1 GS (vs. Gon.); preseason gls vs. Butler and UVa 76G-36A at St. Joseph's HS prep All-American and member of U.S. Under-17 National Team ... helped Carmel Commotion reach '03 nat'l title game ('05 semi's)
F	#13 Maggie Manning (Sr.; Lake Oswego, OR)	Oregon '02 player of the year at Jesuit HS (90G in 3 prep seasons) '05: 2G-2A (6 pts), 5 GP/1 GS (vs. Gon.) ... '04: 2G-1A, 13 GP ... career: 9G-7A (25 pts), 58 GP/6 GS, GWG 2G vs. TX Tech ('04)
M	#9 Jen Buczkowski (Jr.; Elk Grove, IL)	'05 Hermann Watch List; Pl. every min. w/ '05 Nordic Cup champs (U.S. U-21s) 2005 stats: 1G (vs. Gon.)-2A (vs. MD/Gon.), 6 GS ND Classic def. MVP ('05) ... 4 GWGs in 5-win '04 span (last-min. at GU, 2 vs. BC) '04: 8G-11A, 27 pts (4th BE), 4 GWG, 27 GP/25 GS '04 All-American, 1st tm all-BIG EAST (1G-2A vs. BAY, 1G-1A vs. SCU) career: 13G-19A (44 pts), 5 GWG, 57 GP/54 GS 69G-52A in 3-yr HS career; #6 recruit in '03; prep All-American, U.S. U-19 team
M	#11 Annie Scheffer (Sr.; Yakima, WA)	'04: GWG vs. EIU/Stan. (PK); 1A vs. EIU/Port. (NCAAs); dad Rob played ND tennis '05: 1A (vs. FL), 6 GP/4 GS ... '04: 4G-7A (15 pts), 2 GWG, 27 GP/22 GS Acad. All-American (3.73 GPA; psych/pre-prof. studies) career (inj. in '02): 8G-13A (29 pts), 2 GWG, 57 GP/45 GS U.S. U-19 Nat'l Team ('02); Gatorade WA player of the year
M/F	#10 Brittany Bock (Fr.; Naperville, IL)	U.S. U-20 Nat'l Team player pool (former U-16/U-17/U-19 player); 24G as prep sr. '05: 3G, 5 GP/3 GS (2G vs. UNH, G vs. UVm) nat'l champ w/ IL ODP ('03), runner-up w/ Windy City Pride ('04) and IL ODP ('05)
M/D	#12 Ashley Jones (So.; Westlake Village, CA)	'04: G vs. UConn @BET (1-2); 4 GWAs (TT, BC twice, UConn/NCAAs) '05 stats: 6 GP/4 GS (at LB) ... '04: 1G-4A (6 pts), 27 GP/6 GS '04 nat'l titles with Cal-South ODP and SoCal United career: 1G-4A (6 pts), 31 GP/10 GS 3rd-leading scorer on '04 preseason Brazil trip (2G-3A)
DM	#24 Jill Krivacek (Jr.; Geneva, IL)	'04: 3rd tm all-BE; All-Tour. at ND Classic; GWG vs. WIS in 90th minute (NCAAs) '05: 1G (vs. UNH), 5 GP/3 GS ... '04: 1G-2A, 27 GP/23 GS ... career: 4G-5A (13 pts), 54 GP/31 GS 78G at Rosary HS
M/F	#15 Lizzie Reed (Jr.; Franklin Lakes, NJ)	had A vs. UNH and UVm (start) ... '04 GWA at WVU (3-1), 1G-1A vs. SJU (7-0) '05: 2A, 5 GP/2 GS ... '04: 1G-2A, 27 GP/10 GS ... car.: 3G-5A (11 pts), 55 GP/20 GS HS All-American; ODP nat'l runner-up
M	#20 Rebecca Mendoza (Fr.; Garland, TX)	member of Mexican Nat'l Team ... rated nation's #16 recruit (<i>Student Sports</i>) '05: 3 GP (vs. FL, MD, Gon.) helped Dallas Sting reach '05 USYSA national semifinals ... 77G-58A first 3 yrs at N. Garland HS
DM	#21 Claire Gallerano (Jr.; Dallas, TX)	def. M known for tenacious tackling and ball-winning ... missed '05 spring (ankle) '05: 4 GP/1 GS (vs. UVm) ... '04: 15 GP/1 GS (vs. TT) ... career: 24 GP/2 GS Dallas Texans product ('03 national champs)
D	#18 Christie Shaner (Jr.; Ambler, PA)	'04: headers vs. WVU, SJU; 2nd-tm Acad. All-Dist. ... 2nd tm all-BE ('03; 3rd tm '04) '05: 1A, 6 GP/5 GS ... career: 3G-4A (10 pts), 56 GP/48 GS all-tour. '04 ND Classic; U.S. U-21 camps ('04); #22 recruit in '03 (SA) '04 stats: 2G, 25 GP/21 GS; 2,209 min./82 per gm (2nd on tm) prep All-American; member of nat'l semifinalist Bucks Challenge
D/M	#4 Kim Lorenzen (Jr.; Naperville, IL)	'04 GWG at WVU, GWA vs. BC (1-0), 1G-1A vs. SJU, 1G vs. EIU in NCAAs '05: 4 GS (dnp @SCU) ... '04: 3G-4A, GWG, 27 GP/21 GS ... car.: 3G-4A, 54 GP/45 GS '03 ODP nat'l champs (IL; w/ 3 ND players)
CD	#19 Carrie Dew (Fr.; Encinitas, CA)	ND Classic all-tournament team ... member of U.S. U-16 and U-17 national teams '05: 1G (vs. MD), 6 GS ... '05 USASA Select-23 Nat'l Team played on national champs with S.D. Surf ('03), Cal-South ODP ('04)
G	#1 Erika Bohn (Sr.; Brookfield, CT)	preseason BIG EAST Goalkeeper of Year ('05); member of '05 U.S. Nordic Cup team '05 stats: 1.01 GAA, 6 SV, 4 GA, 5 GS (4-1-0) 1st Team Academic All-American in '04 (3.67 GPA, art studio) '04 stats: 0.41 GAA (led nation), 39 SV, 9 GA, 25 GP/22 GS (21-1-1) ND-rec. 967-min. shutout streak in '03 (5th NCAA history) career: 0.72 GA, 137 SV, 47 GA, 74 GP/70 GS (57-12-2), 24 solo ShO 3 PK saves (1 in reg.) in '04 NCAA title game vs. UCLA
G	#6 Lauren Karas (So.; Flower Mound, TX)	'04 wins over ASU (2-1), TX Tech (3-0), UWGB (4-0), Pitt (3-1; off bench) '05: 0.60, 4 GP/1 GS (win vs. Gon.) ... '04: 1.24, 5 GA, 11 SV, 8 GP/5 GS Golden Glove Award w/ No. TX ODP at '04 Nationals

WALDRUM SURPASSES 300-WIN TOTAL – Seventh-year Notre Dame head coach Randy Waldrum posted his 200th career win as a Div. I women's head coach in the 2-1 game vs. Miami on Nov. 2, 2003, and registered his 100th win at Notre Dame in the 3-0 game at Texas Tech on Sept. 12, 2005 ... Waldrum served eight seasons as a college men's soccer head coach and now owns 307 combined wins as a men's and women's college head coach (**307-126-24**/.698, in 23-plus seasons) ... Waldrum owns a **231-71-17** mark (.751) in 15-plus combined seasons as the women's head coach at Tulsa, Baylor and ND (good for the 7th-best win pct. in the NCAA record book) ... the Irish are **124-21-5** (.843) in the Waldrum era, including 50-5-2 over the past three seasons (.895) ... Waldrum repeated as BIG EAST coach of the year in 2000 and became the first three-time BIG EAST women's soccer coach of the year (in '03), winning the award again in '04 ... he was the only repeat selection for NSCAA region coach-of-the-year honors in '04 (Great Lakes Region) ... in '99, he became the only coach in the history of the NCAA women's soccer championship to lead a team to the title game in his first season as that team's head coach ... he was the fourth 1st-year coach to take his team to the NCAA semifinals, beating #1 and unbeaten Santa Clara in San Jose ... his women's soccer record includes 61-36-9 at Tulsa (6 yrs) and 46-14-3 at Baylor (3 yrs).

GOING THE DISTANCE – Notre Dame is **unbeaten in its past 18 overtime** games (13-0-5), since the 3-2, double-OT loss to UNC in the '99 opener ... prior to the 0-0 game vs. Rutgers in '04, the Irish played 18 straight non-OT games (longest since the '97 and '98 teams combined for 31 straight non-OT games) ... after the opening '99 loss to UNC, that Irish team went on to post a 2-1, double-OT win at UConn and played to a 1-1 tie at Nebraska in the NCAA quarterfinals (adv. on PKs) ... the 2000 team had OT wins over Stanford, at West Virginia and vs. Santa Clara in the NCAA quarterfinals (all 2-1) plus a 0-0 tie at UConn ... '01 featured an unprecedented five OT games (2-1 vs. Indiana, Villanova, WVU and Michigan; 2-2 vs. Wisconsin) while the '02 team added 1-0 OT wins over Rutgers and BC ... the '03 team had a 0-0 tie with Stanford (at SCU) and OT wins over Villanova (1-0) and Miami (2-1, BE quarter's) ... the '04 team played to a 1-1 tie with UCLA in the NCAA title (the Irish won, 4-3 on PKs).

BAM! ... BUCZKOWSKI DOES IT AGAIN – Midfielder Jen Buczkowski did not register a gamewinning goal in the first 37 games of her ND career before delivering a pair of GWGs in the late moments of back-to-back 2004 wins at Georgetown (89:16; 2-1) and vs. #20 Boston College (79:06; 1-0) ... three games later, she added her 3rd GWG in the 4-0 win at Michigan and then had the GWG in the BIG EAST semifinal vs. BC (2-0; giving her 4 GWGs in span of 5 wins) ... Buczkowski already has added a GWG in 2005 (in 4-1 game with Gonzaga), giving her 5 of ND's past 15 GWGs (after none in her first 37 GP).

SHARING THE WEALTH IN OT – Notre Dame's 13 overtime wins in the Waldrum era include goals from seven players (own goal vs. Stanford in '00; PK win vs. UCLA in '04 NCAA title game): **Anne Makinen** (vs. UConn, '99), **Amanda Guertin** (ND record 4; vs. West Virginia in '00, Michigan in '01, Boston College in '02, Miami in '03 BIG EAST quarter's), **Meotis Erikson** (vs. SCU in '00 NCAA quarter's), **Kelly Tulisiak** (vs. Indiana, '01), **Amy Warner** (2; vs. Villanova in '01, Rutgers in '02), **Mia Sarkesian** (vs. WVU, '01) and **Katie Thorlakson** (vs. Villanova, '03) ... Thorlakson is the only current player who has scored an OT goal with the Irish (she also was the only player on the '04 team with an OT goal already to her credit) but three of her current teammates did convert PKs in the 2004 NCAA title-game shootout vs. UCLA: **Jen Buczkowski**, **Annie Scheffer** and **Jill Krivacek**.

GOALS-A-PLENTY – Stretching from '92-'05, the Irish have scored in 94.9% of their games (300 of 316) ... since '94, the Irish have scored in 262 of 275 (.953; three shutouts in NCAA title games) – with goals in 196 of 204 regular-season games (.961) over that 12-year stretch ... ND saw its 31-game scoring streak (3rd-best in Irish history) end in '02.

OT-TESTED ... BUT RUSTY – ND is unbeaten in its past 18 overtime games and is 13-1-5 in OT in the Randy Waldrum era but the Irish have played to OT just twice in their past 36 games (0-0 vs. Rutgers, on Oct. 22, 2004; 1-1 NCAA title game vs. UCLA/4-3 in PKs). **MAGIC NUMBERS** – The 3-goal mark has been virtually an automatic win for ND, with the Irish 216-3-1 all-time (.984) when scoring 3-plus, losing to N.C. State in '92 (4-3), UConn in '95 (5-4, OT) and at Georgetown in '02 (4-3), plus a 3-3 tie vs. Vanderbilt in '91... the Irish had won 88 straight when scoring 3-plus, before the GU loss (now 121-1-0 since 10/6/95) ... ND is 304-9-12 (.954) all-time when holding the opponent to 0-1 goals (109-3-5 since 9/9/99), including 1-0 losses in '02 (vs. eventual NCAA champ Portland) and '03 (at #1 Stanford) ... prior to the UP loss, the Irish had been 56-0-3 in the previous 59 games when allowing 0-1 GA (dating back to 1-0 loss to SMU in '99, playing minus All-American Anne Makinen) ... the program's 18-year history includes just 307 goals allowed in 399 games (0.77 GA/gm) ... the Irish have allowed more than one goal in only 74 all-time games (19%) and have yielded 3-plus goals in just 33 all-time games (8%; including two 6-goal games by the opponent, four 5-goal and six 4-goal) ... 92% of ND's all-time games have seen the Irish hold the opponent to 0-2 goals with a 323-26-15/.908 record in those games (ND is just 4-28-1 all-time when allowing 3-plus).

CORNERING THE MARKET – Dating back to the 2004 regular-season game vs. Rutgers (Oct. 22), Notre Dame has owned the corner-kick edge in 15 of its past 18 official fall games, finishing tied in CKs for one of those games (5-5 vs. UCLA in the NCAA title game) ... Florida (4-3 CKs) and Santa Clara are the only recent opponents with more CKs than the Irish (SCU held a narrow 6-5 margin, in the '04 NCAA semifinals) ... the Irish have racked up a 113-25 CK margin (4:1) in the past 18 games ... that 18-game stretch has included 7 games with no CKs allowed by ND (also 5 GP with 1 CK allowed and 2 CKs by Portland in the '04 NCAA quarterfinal and by Gonzaga in '05) ... Notre Dame attempted all 14 corner kicks in its pair of games at the '05 season-opening Vermont Classic (12 vs. UNH, 2 vs. UVm) ... excluding the pair of games at the 2004 College Cup weekend, the Irish have racked up a 104-15 CK edge (7-to-1) in the other 16 games since Boston College held a 4-2 CK edge on Oct. 18, 2004.

GOAL PATROL – Notre Dame players have combined for **27 multiple-goal games** over 57 games in the past three seasons (compared to just five in all of '02), by 12 different players ... the 2005 opener vs. New Hampshire saw freshman F **Kerri Hanks**, senior F **Katie Thorlakson** (2) and freshman M/F **Brittany Bock** each register multi-goal games and Hanks added a 4-goal game two days later vs. Vermont ... Thorlakson then had 2G vs. Florida, as did Hanks vs. Maryland ... three different players – **Amanda Cinalli**, **Thorlakson** and **Candace Chapman** – had two goals in the 2004 opener vs. Baylor, with Thorlakson adding 3G vs. Santa Clara, 2G vs. both UWGB and Michigan and then 4G vs. St. John's while **Maggie Manning** had 2G at Texas Tech and Chapman added 2G vs. Seton Hall while Cinalli had 2G vs. Portland ... current players who posted multiple-goal games in '03 included: Manning vs. Hartford (2), **Jen Buczkowski** vs. Oklahoma, Thorlakson and **Annie Scheffer** vs. Western Kentucky and Thorlakson at Rutgers ... Thorlakson has totaled nine multiple-goal games in her ND career (including one 3-goal game and the 4G game) ... Chapman, Manning and Hanks each own two multi-goal games with the Irish.

WINDY-CITY TRIO NOW A QUARTET – Notre Dame's geographically-diverse 2005 roster includes four players who grew up playing close to one another in the Chicago area ... those Windy City natives are led by three juniors – M **Jen Buczkowski** (Elk Grove HS), D/M **Kim Lorenzen** (Naperville North HS) and defensive M **Jill Krivacek** (Geneva; Rosary HS) – who now have been joined by freshman M/F **Brittany Bock** (Naperville/Neuqua Valley HS) ... the foursome helped lead the Illinois team to the 2003 Olympic Development national title in the summer of '03, with Bock earning the Golden Boot Award while playing up an age group ... each of the Chicago veterans played key, but subtle, roles on the 2004 national-title squad, with Lorenzen's great versatility allowing her to play anywhere on the field (she scored the gamewinning goal in the 74th minute at #20 West Virginia and had the primary assist on Buczkowski's GWG vs. #20 Boston College) ... the 5-foot-11 Krivacek has fortified the defensive midfield spot while Buczkowski is the classic field general and ranked 3rd on the '04 team with 27 points (8G-11A).

BIG & BRIGHT – The lone star state has deep connections to ND women's soccer (all three coaches and four players are Texas natives):

- Seventh-year ND head coach **Randy Waldrum** is a native of Irvin, Texas, played at Midwestern State (Wichita Falls, Texas) from '77-'80, coached the men's teams at Austin College ('82) and Texas Wesleyan ('88) and coached the Baylor women from '96-'98 (he was the Texas Longhorns club's director of coaching from '87-'89).
- 3rd-year assistant **Dawn Greathouse** is a native of Allen, Texas, and played for Waldrum as the starting 'keeper at Baylor ... she also starred for the Texas Longhorns and the Region III and North Texas ODP squads.
- Junior M **Claire Gallerano** (Dallas/Ursuline HS) helped lead the Dallas Texans to the '03 USYSA national club title (girls-18 division) ... freshman F **Kerri Hanks** (Allen) – a '04 signee who did not enroll at ND until the spring of '05, due to U-19 World Championship training with the U.S. – earned the USYSA's Golden Boot Award as the tournament's top scorer with the '03 Dallas Texans ... she won the Golden Boot again in '05 as the Texans lost the girls-19 title game in PKs ... Hanks totaled 47 goals in two seasons at Allen HS before her U-19 duty.
- Sophomore G **Lauren Karas** (Flower Mound HS) also has starred for the Dallas Sting and Texans club teams, plus the Region III and North Texas ODP teams (she earned the Golden Glove Award with North Texas at the 2004 ODP nationals).
- Freshman M **Rebecca Mendoza** (Garland) was a standout at North Garland HS (77G-58A in first three seasons) and helped lead the Dallas Sting to a 3rd-place finish at 2005 USYSA Nationals (girls-18) while also playing for North Texas ODP in '03 and '04 (dnp in '05 due to duties with Mexican National Team, as she holds dual citizenship).
- ND's all-time roster includes 17 Texas natives, most notably: early scoring leader Stephanie Porter ('90-'93; Spring/Klein HS); steady M Tiffany Thompson ('91-'94; Houston/Cypress Creek HS); clutch 'keeper Liz Wagner ('98-'01; Spring/Klein HS); All-America D Monica Gonzalez ('97-'01; Richardson/Plano East HS); and high-scoring F Amanda Guertin ('00-'03; Grapevine HS).